

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-20, as indicated below. The following is a complete listing of claims and replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method performed by a computer including a processor and a memory unit coupled to the processor, the method comprising:

providing access to information stored in the memory unit related to a plurality of government approved charities;

searching for at least one of [[said]] the charities in the formation stored in the memory unit;

receiving, from an employee of an employer, donation information including recurring billing information, donor information related to a donor, a donation amount, employer information related to an employer of the donor, and charity information related to a charity to donate to;

if the processor determines that the receiving received data from the employee stored in the memory unit indicates indicating that the employer[:]]

[[a]] will gift match at least a portion of the donation amount,[[; and]]
b) should be granted granting access rights to the employer to verify the donation information[[;]] and

verifying, by the processor, the donation information on behalf of the employer by, at least:

a) confirming that a payment from the employee for the donation amount was processed[[; and]],

b) verifying that the charity ~~selected by the employee~~ is a government approved charity by, at least, searching at least one of: an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) database and a third-party database of government approved charities[[;]], and

c) generating a receipt for the employer by, at least:

- i) searching the memory unit for information related to gift matching forms specific to the employer[[;]],
- ii) selecting a particular form based, at least in part, on the charity ~~selected by the employee; information stored in the memory unit,~~
- iii) completing the selected gift matching form specific to the employer based on the donation information[[;]] stored in the memory unit, and
- iv) forwarding the completed form to the employer; and

activating processing, after the verifying, a gift matching payment on behalf of the employer.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1₂ wherein [[said]] the method donation engine is located performed in an online environment.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1₂ wherein [[said]] the donation information further includes loyalty point donation information.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1₂ wherein [[said]] the donation information further includes gift matching information.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein [[said]] the providing access to a plurality of government approved charities includes providing access to all government approved 501(c) charities.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein [[said]] the providing access to a plurality of government approved charities includes providing access to all government approved 501(c) charities via a donation portal.

7. (Currently Amended) A donation method performed by a computer including a processor and a memory unit coupled to the processor, [[said]] the method comprising:

accessing providing access to an online donation portal, wherein [[said]] the donation portal is configured to provide access to a plurality of government approved charities;

searching for charity information stored in the memory unit related to at least one of [[said]] the charities using a search function of [[said]] the donation portal;

entering, storing in the memory unit destination information received from an employee of an employer, ~~donation information into said donation portal~~, wherein the donation information includes recurring billing information, donor information related to a donor, a donation amount, employer information related to an employer of the donor, and charity information related to a charity; to donate to;

receiving if the processor determines that the data received from the employee and stored in the memory unit indicating indicates that the employer[[:]]

[[a]] will gift match at least a portion of the donation amount,[[; and]]

b) ~~should be granted~~ granting access rights to the employer to verify the donation information[[;]] and

verifying, by the processor, the donation information on behalf of the employer by, at least:

a) confirming that a payment from the employee for the donation amount was processed; and

b) verifying that the charity ~~selected by the employee~~ is a government approved charity by, at least, searching at least one of: an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) database and a third-party database of government approved charities;

c) generating a receipt for the employer by, at least:

i) searching the memory unit for information related to gift matching forms specific to the employer;

ii) selecting a particular form based, at least in part, on the charity ~~selected by the employee; information stored in the memory unit;~~

iii) completing the selected gift matching form specific to the employer based on the donation information stored in the memory unit; and

iv) forwarding the completed form to the employer; and
~~activating processing~~, after the verifying, a gift matching payment on behalf of the employer.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein [[said]] the donation information further includes loyalty point donation information.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein [[said]] the donation information further includes gift matching information.

10. (Currently Amended) A donation method performed by a computer including a processor and a memory unit coupled to the processor, [[said]] the method comprising: accessing providing access to at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities;

storing in the memory unit receiving donation information received from an employee of an employer, wherein the donation information includes loyalty point information, donor information related to a donor, a donation amount, employer information related to an employer of the donor, and charity information related to a charity; to donate to;

if the processor determines that the employee information stored in the memory unit indicates receiving data from the employee indicating that the employer[[:]]
[[a]] will gift match at least a portion of the donation amount,[[; and]]
b) should be granted granting access rights to the employer to verify the donation information[[;]] and;

verifying, by the processor, the donation information on behalf of the employer by, at least:

a) confirming that a payment from the employee for the donation amount was processed; and
b) verifying that the charity selected by the employee is a government approved charity by, at least, searching at least one of: an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) database and a third-party database of government approved charities;

c) generating a receipt for the employer by, at least:

- i) searching the memory unit for information related to gift matching forms specific to the employer;
- ii) selecting a particular form based, at least in part, on the charity ~~selected by the employee; information stored in the memory unit;~~
- iii) completing the selected gift matching form specific to the employer based on the donation information stored in the memory unit; and
- iv) forwarding the completed form to the employer; and

~~activating processing~~, after the verifying, a gift matching payment on behalf of the employer.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein [[said]] the receiving donation information further includes receiving recurring billing information.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein [[said]] the receiving donation information further includes receiving gift matching information.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein [[said]] the accessing at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities includes accessing at least one of all government approved 501(c) charities.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein [[said]] the accessing at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities includes accessing at least one of all government approved 501(c) charities via a donation portal.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, further comprising, verifying the loyalty point information by communicating with at least one third party, [[said]] the third party including at least one of: a financial institution, a charity, a loyalty point issuer, and a government entity authorized to approve charities.

16. (Currently Amended) An online donation method performed by a computer including a processor and a memory unit coupled to the processor, [[said]] the method comprising:

accessing providing access to at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities;

storing in the memory unit receiving donation information received from an employee of an employer, wherein [[said]] the donation information includes gift matching information, donor information related to a donor, a donation amount, employer information related to an employer of the donor, and charity information related to a charity; to donate to;

receiving if the processor determines that the employer information stored in the memory unit indicates data from the employee indicating that the employer[[::]]

[[a]] will gift match at least a portion of the donation amount,[[; and]]

b) should be granted granting access rights to the employer to verify the donation information stored in the memory unit;

verifying, by the processor, the donation information on behalf of the employer by, at least:

- a) confirming that a payment from the employee for the donation amount was processed; and
- b) verifying that the charity ~~selected by the employee~~ is a government approved charity by, at least, searching at least one of: an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) database and a third-party database of government approved charities;
- c) generating a receipt for the employer by, at least:
 - i) searching the memory unit for information related to gift matching forms specific to the employer;
 - ii) selecting a particular form based, at least in part, on the charity ~~selected by the employee; information stored in the memory unit~~;
 - iii) completing the selected gift matching form specific to the employer based on the donation information stored in the memory unit; and
 - iv) forwarding the completed form to the employer; and

~~activating processing~~, after the verifying, a gift matching payment on behalf of the employer.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein [[said]] the donation information includes loyalty point donation information.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein [[said]] the donation information further includes recurring billing information.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the accessing includes providing at least one of: listing capabilities, searching capabilities, and selecting capabilities.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, further comprising, verifying the gift matching information by communicating with at least one third party, [[said]] the third party including at least one of: an employer, a financial institution, and the Internal Revenue Service.